



RECEIVED
OCT 17 2001
Technology Center 2600
PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(3259.00011)

Applicant: Werner Siever and Andreas Zimmerman Paper No: #9
Application No.: 09/730,453 Group Art Unit:
Filed: December 5, 2000 Examiner:
Title: Nanoporous Interpenetrating Organic-Inorganic Networks

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and 1.97, applicant herewith submits the publications and/or patents shown on the attached form PTO-1449, for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application.

REMARKS

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. '1.97, this statement is being filed (CHECK ONE):

- X (1) within three (3) months of the Filing Date or before the mailing date of the First Office Action on the merits; or
- (2) after the period defined in (1) but before the mailing date of a Final Rejection or Notice of Allowance, and the requisite Certification or fee under Rule 1.17(p), namely \$240.00, is included herein; or
- (3) after the mailing date of a Final Rejection or Notice of Allowance but before the payment of the Issue Fee, and the requisite Certification, petition, and petition fee are included herein.

IDS - Page 2

09/730,453

It is respectfully requested that each of the documents shown on the attached form PTO-1449 be made of record in this application. Copies of these documents (CHECK ONE):

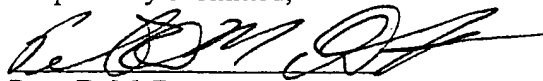
X are enclosed herewith; or
____ are in the file of related application Serial No. 00/000,000, filed
____, and are thus not being resubmitted herein.

Early examination and allowance of the present application are respectfully solicited.

FEE AUTHORIZATION

Should any fee associated with the submission of this paper not be attached hereto as a check, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the missing fee to our Deposit Account, No. 19-0733. Any overpayments should be credited to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

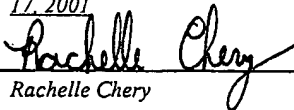


Peter D. McDermott
Attorney for Applicant
Reg. No. 29,411
Customer No. 28318

Banner & Witcoff, Ltd.
28 State Street, 28th Floor
Boston, MA 02109
Telephone: (617) 227-7111
Facsimile: (617) 227-4399

CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as express mail EL728372655US in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on: May 17, 2001


Rachelle Chery

5/17/01
Date